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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$280.
  - \$280 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1150.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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In re Application of

Ronald STEIGER

Application Number 10/042,395

Filed: January 11, 2002

Attention: OIPE

For: A SPRAYING METHOD AND A SPRAY SYSTEM FOR COATING LIQUIDS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Missing Parts of Application dated February 12, 2002, the period for response to which is set to expire on *April 12, 2002*. Submitted herewith are the following:

- Basic Filing Fee                 \$740.00
- Late Surcharge                 \$130.00
- Executed Declaration
- Certified Priority Document
- Information Disclosure Statement  
w/ PTO-1449 and References
- Copy of Preliminary Amendment  
w/ Date-stamped Postcard

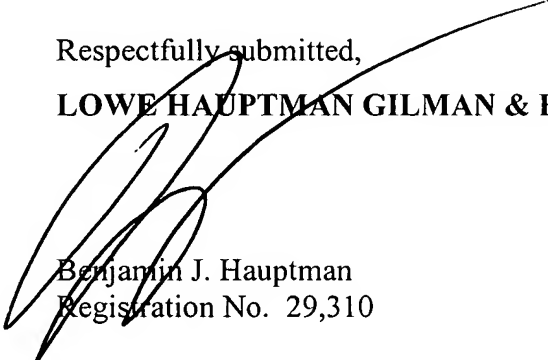
*Applicants would like to direct the attention of the PTO to attached copy of the Preliminary Amendment submitted to the Patent Office on January 11, 2002. As provided by the Preliminary Amendment, the application was amended to delete the multiple dependencies of claims 3, 8 and 10 to avoid the multiple dependent claim fees. Accordingly the additional fee of \$280.00 does not apply to the above-identified application. Applicants hereby request that the records be immediately clarified.*

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Attached hereto is a Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$870.00 to cover the basic filing fee and Declaration surcharge. Please charge any deficiencies in the enclosed fees to Deposit Account 07-1337 and direct any inquiries in connection with this application directly to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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